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CIRCULATING THROUGHOUT THE VAST AGRICULTURAL AREA OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

Warren Says New Money Needed For Fla. Flood Control

ORLANDO — New sources of revenue will be needed to raise money for Florida's \$37,000,000 share of the proposed Federal \$208,000,000 flood control project, members of the Citizens Flood Control Committee were told Wednesday.

"I don't think there ought to be any blinking of the fact that we've got to find new revenue," Governor-elect Fuller Warren said at the initial meeting of the flood control group.

He asked the committee to try and devise a plan to accomplish the whole job over a 10-year period.

John D. Montgomery, Miami Beach publisher, was named permanent chairman of the group and W. J. (Funie) Steed, Orlando attorney, vice chairman. Jeanne Belamy, Miami, was appointed secretary of the committee by Montgomery.

Warren also recommended raising of local contributions by the State as a whole. He said the group should have "fullest and most unfettered independence in trying to solve the problem."

State Sens. John R. Beacham of West Palm Beach and W. A. (Bill) Shands emphasized the importance of Statewide financing of the project as did James H. Allen of Pensacola.

Flood losses in 1947 were estimated at \$90,000,000 by Senator Pepper (D-Fla.) who said in ten years the loss might run as high as \$300,000,000.

Interim Pastor To Arrive In Pahokee

Dr. and Mrs. Barlett Anthony Bowers, formerly associated with the Calvary Baptist Church in Asheville, N. C., are expected to arrive in Pahokee today. They will make their home in the pastorum recently vacated by the Moberg family and Dr. Bowers will act as interim pastor at the Pahokee First Baptist Church until a regular pastor is called to the church.

Dr. Bowers served for 40 years in influential pastorate in five states including the First Baptist Church in Baltimore, the First Baptist Church in Gastonia and the Broadway Baptist Church in Knoxville. Since his retirement three years ago he has filled in as interim pastor at Baptist Churches in Ocala and West Palm Beach, First Canton, First Marion, Old Fort and Calvary Baptist Church, Asheville. He is a trustee of Meredith College and a member of the State Mission Board on Ridgecrest for the Sunday school board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. and Mrs. Bowers celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Dec. 16, 1947.

In spite of a couple of would-be hurricanes this year, hunters in Southwest Florida's First Conservation District can look forward to much better shooting than last year, the State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission reported recently.

McCabe Is Elected Head Vegetable Group

E. A. McCabe of Belle Glade was elected president of the Everglades Branch of the National League of Wholesale Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Distributors at the annual election of new officers held at the Radio Club in Fort Lauderdale last week.

Other officers elected were W. L. Duncan of Canal Point, vice president; Jess M. Elliott of Pahokee, secretary, and Frank Dooley of Belle Glade, treasurer.

L. J. Fraser of Pahokee, retiring president, presided at the meeting. The annual ladies night program was presented, with the wives of members attend as guests.

Joe Tom Boynton Post Commander

Joe Tom Boynton was elected commander of Fred and Percy Mansfield Post 90 at a meeting in the woman's clubhouse Monday night, replacing Commander James A. Stafford who recently resigned.

Kenneth Mock, who is moving soon with his wife to Houston, Texas, tendered his resignation as first vice commander at the meeting and Perry Duke was chosen to succeed him in that office. Harold Wilkinson was selected second vice commander and Carmen Salvatore, Jr., third vice commander to fill vacancies left by the election of Boynton and Duke to higher offices.

Post 90 voted to sponsor a post-season football game between negro school teams from Belle Glade and Sebring. The game will be played on Lair Field, Pahokee, Friday night, Dec. 3.

Lions Hear Harless On Zoning Plans

RDB plans for Palm Beach County zoning were outlined by Joe Harless of Boynton Beach, chairman of the county RDB zoning committee, at the luncheon meeting of the Pahokee Lions Club Tuesday. The guest speaker was introduced by L. J. Fraser, program chairman.

The Lions voted to sponsor the arrival in Pahokee of a Santa Claus by plane for the entertainment of the children of the community the week before Christmas.

The club was asked to support the Florida Chain of Missions which

plans to send several noted speakers to this area in January and February.

Accountant Raises Checks, Is In Jail

Harold E. Sinclair, 48, described by officers as an accountant with offices in West Palm Beach, was held in county jail Friday night.

Peace Justice W. D. Larrimore of Pahokee said he had issued a warrant charging the prisoner with "raising salary checks." He said it was alleged that Sinclair, working as bookkeeper for Joseph Kahn, Pahokee dry goods merchant, raised one check for his salary from \$100 to \$2,100 and another from \$100 to \$700.

State Road Board Members Named By Incoming Governor

Fuller Warren, Florida's Governor-elect, named five members of the State Road Department Tuesday and said "it is my understanding that Alfred A. McKethan of Brooksville is to be selected as chairman."

In addition to McKethan, who was selected from District 1, Warren named J. Glover Taylor from Jacksonville, District 2, Marion G. Nelson, Panama City, District 3, Merrill P. Barber, Vero Beach, District 4 and Trusten P. Drake, Jr., Ocala, District 5.

The appointees are expected to meet soon for formal selection of the chairmen.

During the May runoff primary Warren bitterly attacked the department and the cost of road building in Florida. In his statehood yesterday, however, he referred only obliquely to these charges by telling the people "I believe," "under these men," you will get good roads for less cost," Warren said:

"The State Road Department is Florida's biggest single governmental operation. The budget for 1948 was in excess of \$61 million. It employs about 4500 people. It is tremendously important to the people of Florida. It affects more citizens than any other department of the State Government controlled by the Governor.

"The State Road Department is administered by five members, one of whom is chosen chairman. The law requires that one member be chosen from each of the five congressional districts which existed at the time of the passage of the law.

"A number of able men have offered to serve as members of the Department. I have felt it my duty to select the very best men available for these positions. It has been difficult for me to pass over faithful friends who offered to serve."

"To those who may be disappointed, I want to say that I am selecting the five men named. I have thoughtfully and carefully considered every person available.

"None was selected, wholly as a reward for political support;

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Gresham Leaves For Sanford Church

Rev. J. M. Gresham preached his final sermon as pastor of the Church of God in Pahokee Sunday and left this week with his family for Sanford, Fla., where he has accepted a call to the Church of God in that city. The Rev. and Mrs. Gresham came to Pahokee in January, 1944, to assist in the organizing of a local Church of God.

Services were first held in a tent on Canal Point Road. Later Rev. Gresham's leadership a new church building was constructed and a parsonage was purchased on Barfield Highway. He is a member of the Pahokee-Canal Point Ministerial Association and Mrs. Gresham served as secretary to the local Council of Church Women.

Celery Growers To Meet Monday Night

An important meeting of the celery growers and shippers from the Lake will be held at eight o'clock Monday night at the Belle Glade City Hall, it was announced today by the Florida Fruit and vegetable Association. Purpose of the meeting is to discuss the pros and cons of a celery marketing agreement during the coming season. Similar meetings have already been held in Sanford and Sarasota, and these areas have already gone on record as favoring such an agreement. All celery growers and shippers are urged to attend.

Belle Glade Ramie Plant To Go Under Hammer To Pay RFC

Federal Judge John W. Holland Friday awarded a judgment of \$606,079.16 to be paid to the Reconstruction Finance Corp. by the Florida Ramie Products, Inc., of West Palm Beach.

In the event of default on the sum which represents balance due on two RFC loans, the order appointed John A. Paul as special master to sell the property of the impulsive firm at public auction at the county courthouse in West Palm Beach.

The original suit brought by the RFC contended that only some \$7,000 had been repaid on the two loans and that due payments had not been met. The firm constructed ramie processing plant near Bell Glade, but full production was never reached.

Military Funeral For Sgt. Olen Meeks

Military funeral services for Sgt. Olen S. Meeks, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Meeks of Pahokee, were held at the Piney Grove Cemetery near Chipley on Tuesday, Nov. 9, with members of Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion of Chipley in charge of the service.

Sgt. Meeks joined the armed forces in March, 1942, and saw overseas action in Tunis, North Africa, and Sicily. Later he was among the United States troops assembled in England for the invasion of France and was killed in action on Normandy Beach June 14, 1944.

Survivors, in addition to his father and stepmother, include three sisters, Christine, Frances and Bonnie Meeks, Pahokee; three brothers, Alfred of Pahokee and Cecil and Lambert Meeks of Coltondale, Fla.

Turkey Shoot At Elks Grounds, 3 Days

Wanna Thanksgiving turkey? Go to the Elks grounds in Pahokee next Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday and, maybe, you'll be lucky enough to win one. The Elks club is sponsoring a turkey shoot on these three days.

More than 100 different colors are now available to home owners who wish to use real clay tile in remodeling old bathrooms or putting in new ones.

Annual Grid Game Wednesday Night On Pahokee Field

The time: Thanksgiving eve, Wednesday, Nov. 24, 8:15 p. m.—the place: Lair Field in Pahokee—the event: the annual Glades Senior High football classic between the Pahokee Blue Devils and the Belle Glade Golden Rams—at stake: the Lions' Club Bill Young Memorial Trophy.

A comparison of the records of the two teams for the current season favors the Rams, holders of the trophy for the past two years, to retain it for another year. The Blue Devils have bowed in defeat this season to three teams, Fort Pierce by a one-touchdown margin, trounced Lake Worth, 26 to 6, and tied South Broward, 6 to 6.

Football fans of the Glades area, however, leave statistics at home when they swarm in to see this big sports event. Into this contest both teams completely empty their bags of tricks, pour their last ounce of energy and play their hearts out, because on its outcome hinges the success or failure of a season of football.

After going down in two defeats under the strong opposition of Panama City and Vero Beach at the start of the season, the Rams have developed into one of the strongest elevens in the Gulfstream Conference.

The Pahokee Blue Devils mired down in a midseason slump after getting off to a good start with two successive victories over St. Theresa and Gesu.

The Blue Devil reserves saw considerable action and played creditable football last Saturday night when Pahokee defeated St. Peter Paul of Miami, 33 to 6.

Dickman Testifies On Vegetable Packs

WASHINGTON—Paul B. Dickman, Ruskin grower and packer and chairman of the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association pre-packaging committee, testified before the Interstate Commerce Commission that the "consumer packaging of vegetables on the farm does not make them anything but fresh vegetables."

The Commission is conducting a hearing to determine how washed and packed farm items should properly be classified, after farmers and dealers protested its ruling that fruits and vegetables that have been washed and packaged and otherwise prepared for market are manufactured products rather than farm commodities.

Because trucks hauling farm products are exempt from 100 regulations, this meant extending the area of the Commission's authority.

Juniors Win From Lake Worth 39-0

Coach George Tucker's PHS Juniors defeated Lake Worth 39-0 in Lake Worth Wednesday night. The final game for the locals will be played next Monday night on Memorial Field in Belle Glade with the Junior Rams.

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TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

(By Russell Kay)

If talk would solve our citrus problem we would have licked it long ago, but talk won't boast sagging markets or answer the burning question, "What about this year's crop?" If we are going to salvage anything out of this year's bumper crop it will take Action.

It is all right to talk about legislative action and changing constitutions but such remedies take time and while we are waiting for that kind of relief a lot of folks can go broke.

We are in just about the same position a man is when his house is on fire and his insurance policy has lapsed. He needs help in a hurry. Being a country home far from the nearest fire department, the house will burn to the ground before the fire department could get there. So he calls on his neighbors and they come to his assistance with extinguishers, hose, buckets, ladders and whatever may be needed to meet the emergency and, working together, they save the home.

Now suppose in such an emergency, when this chap called on his neighbors for help, each of them started an argument and each had a different plan. One fellow insists that a bucket brigade is the only answer, another wants to pump water from the lake and someone else thinks that the only way to put the fire out is with extinguishers. The argument continues and before they decide on anything the house is a smoldering heap of ashes.

Everyone agrees that the solution to the citrus problem calls for cooperation on the part of everyone; growers, packers, shippers, canners. The only vehicle that offers an opportunity for such cooperation is the Florida Citrus Mutual. If this grower organization is set up quickly with control of 75 per cent or more of the crop it can go into action now and bring relief this season.

The way it looks from where I sit, it is up to the growers themselves to decide whether they want to join hands and put the fire out now by cooperation and teamwork, or whether they want to continue talking and arguing until it is too late.

Such organizations as the Florida State Chamber of Commerce, the Florida Bankers Association, the Florida State Horticultural So-

cieties and other important groups, including a practically unanimous press, have declared for organized marketing. But they can't vote and they anxiously await the growers' verdict because they know what happened in 1946-47 and again in 1947-48.

The State-Bankers Association, which should certainly be well qualified to correctly appraise the economic and financial conditions, said in its report of July 23, 1948:

"At this moment there is little hope for even a cost of production price for the maturing Florida crop reported to be 100 million boxes, the largest on record. The price situation looks dark, if this crop is to be marketed under the same procedure as the last two crops."

How accurate that forecast was is evidenced by the fact that despite one of the best quality crops in many years, Florida fruit has been selling at below the cost of production.

Organized under authority of the Capper-Voelker Act with power as a growers' organization to control shipments in interstate commerce, the Florida Citrus Mutual can correct this unorganized marketing which is responsible for cutthroat competition and ruinous prices both for fresh and canned products.

Florida Citrus Mutual will have other powers under which it can establish helpful policies which have been recently discussed in the state.

However, let's center our attention upon this vital fact: that disorganized marketing with lack of control in Florida is responsible for two seasons' disasters and promises a third one. No plan has been proposed which can offer the slightest hope for correcting the situation for this season except the Florida Citrus Mutual.

If the organization can be completed and the operating machinery set up by the first of January, the legal controls in interstate commerce which Mutual can and will exercise will be put into effect when possibly fifty to sixty per cent of the fresh fruit and sixty-five to seventy-five per cent of the canned fruit is yet to be marketed. Controlled marketing of that fruit will mean millions of dollars more of returns to the citrus industry.

There is no profit for anybody in a sick industry. United action on the part of all now can turn present losses into profits.

Mrs. Bill Ratliff, Jellico, Tenn., was a guest the past week of her sister, Mrs. Joe Sowder and Mrs. M. Miller, and her brother, S. L. Lindsay, and their families in Pahokee.

Advertisement

From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh



It's Your Fight, Too!

Bing Crowley was "beefing" the other day about all that Our Town's doing in the way of sending food and clothes to Europe. Bing felt that those struggling democracies should look after themselves.

But most agreed with Judge Cunningham who said: "So long as any family or individual in Europe is helping hold the line for freedom—against the forces of intolerance—it's common sense, and common decency, to help 'em."

Because that's everybody's fight: To see that individual freedom is

preserved in every aspect, big or little—whether it's the right to vote, or the right to enjoy a temperate glass of beer or ale with friends.

And from where I sit, no liberty is too small to overlook. Because the minute one small freedom is threatened, all the others are in jeopardy—just as the minute one small country loses freedom, all its neighbors are in danger!

Joe Marsh

Cinematic Chatter

By Malcolm Miller

"Sorry, Wrong Number" has one of the most phenomenal success stories on record for dramatic property. It scored its first hit as an original radio play on CBS's "Suspense" program and so overwhelming was audience reaction that it repeated 7 times on coast-to-coast broadcasts and around the world in 9 different languages.

Never in the experience of the stars, Barbara Stanwyck and Burt Lancaster, have they ever had such roles as these atomically dramatic parts. "Brave, Barbara! We nominate you for this year's Oscar!" say Academy Award winners Joan Crawford, Loretta Young, Ray Milland. You will add your praise when you see this great dramatic triumph at the Prince Theatre, this Sunday-Monday.

Featured players are Ann Richards, Wendell Corey, Harold Vermilyea and many other well known Hollywood artists. You Must See It!

See you at the movies—Mal.

Tangerine Queen Will Be Honored

WINTER HAVEN — The lucky winner of the Florida Tangerine contest to be held here on Sunday, November 28, will be featured in a number of radio and fashion shows in Miami during Orange Bowl Week and will reign over festivities at the Tangerine Bowl Football Game in Orlando on New Years Day, according to plans completed last week by the Florida Citrus Commission.

Dawson Newton, advertising commission of the Florida Citrus Commission, who is cooperating with the Winter Haven Junior Chamber of Commerce, sponsor of the Tangerine Queen Contest, stated that the final arrangements have been made for the 1948 Florida Tangerine Queen to be featured on six radio programs and to appear in the two fashion shows in Miami as the honor guest of the Orange Bowl Committee during the last week in December.

Newton also stated that an invitation from the Orlando Elks Club will be accepted for the 1948 Tangerine Queen to reign over all festivities at the Tangerine Bowl Game in Orlando on New Years Day.

The well known cartoon artist, Zack Mosley, creator of the nationally famous "Smilin' Jack" comic strip, will fly to Winter Haven in his Beechcraft Bonanza plane on November 27 to attend the gala Tangerine Ball that night in the Armory and to serve on the board of judges during the Tangerine Queen Contest on Sunday, November 28, at 2:30 p. m. in the Florida Citrus Exposition Lake Winter Amphitheatre.

When Florida's new Tangerine Queen is selected from beautiful contestants being sponsored from cities throughout the state, she will be awarded a beautiful engraved trophy from the Florida Citrus Commission, a \$100 Savings Bond from the Winter Haven Jaycees and many other prizes. She will also be featured by the Commission in a natural pictorial campaign designed to publicize the Florida golden crop of tangerines.

Sees Population At 2,500,000 By 1980

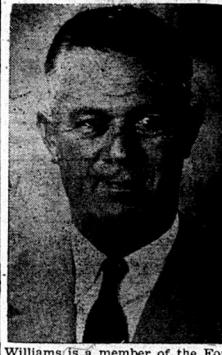
WEST PALM BEACH—A population of 2,500,000 for South Florida by 1980 or 1990 is forecast by Dean Walter J. Matherly of the college of business administration of the University of Florida.

Dean Matherly enlarged on the state's past growth and future prospects in an address to the Florida Institute of Accountants. The institute opened its semi-annual session in Palm Beach Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Roberts returned recently from Graham where they were called by the death of his brother, C. B. Roberts, Va., and Pittsburgh, Pa.

Elks Plan Program For Visiting Official

Edward O. Williams, District Deputy Exalted Ruler of the B. P. O. Elks for Florida, south, will pay his official visit to Pahokee Lodge No. 1638, Tuesday Nov. 23, 1948.



Williams is a member of the Fort Lauderdale lodge and has been a resident of that city since 1934.

Williams will be accompanied to Pahokee by a number of former district deputies, including those from Key West, West Palm Beach and Fort Lauderdale. Exalted rulers and members of lodges from Fort Pierce to Key West will honor the recently appointed deputy grand exalted ruler by their presence.

Exalted ruler O. R. Bleech of the Pahokee lodge has announced acceptances have been received from a number of the South Florida districts. Immediately following the Lodge meeting a bar-be-bee will be served.

Floral Committees Named By Circle

At a meeting of the Gertrud Shirley Circle, First Methodist WSCS, at the home of Mrs. R. W. Sanders Monday night Mrs. M. I. Keen, circle chairman, named the following to serve on the church floral committee through December: Mrs. C. T. Howes and Mrs. J. M. Elliott, first Sunday; Mrs. R. W. Sanders and Mrs. Frank Roelle, second Sunday, Mrs. I. M. Lair and Mrs. Leon Spooner, third Sunday, and a special committee to be announced later, fourth Sunday.

Newton also stated that an invitation from the Orlando Elks Club will be accepted for the 1948 Tangerine Queen to reign over all festivities at the Tangerine Bowl Game in Orlando on New Years Day.

The group made plans for its annual Christmas party which will be held at the home of Mrs. E. L. Pope on Dec. 20, with Mrs. Glenn Abling and Mrs. W. E. Pope to act as hostesses. A study of the first two chapters of the WSCS full mission study text, "Newness of Life" was presented by Mrs. I. M. Lair and Mrs. Jess M. Elliott.

Week Of Prayer To Be Observed In Dec.

Week of prayer will be observed by members of the Woman's Missionary Union, Pahokee First Baptist Church, through the first week in December at special programs presented by the various circles, according to plans announced by Mrs. Horace Unwin, president, at a WMU meeting in the Fellowship Hall Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Unwin also announced a Royal Ambassador banquet meeting will be held in West Palm Beach on Nov. 26 with boys from 9 to 16 years of age invited to attend. Several members volunteered to assist in cleaning up the pasture in preparation for the arrival of Dr. and Mrs. B. A. Bowers this weekend. Dr. Bowers will act as interim pastor until a regular pastor is called to the church.

Mrs. Unwin also announced that their guest over the week end, her mother, Mrs. B. L. Mathis of Princeeton.

Mrs. S. F. (Dick) Parrish and daughter, Sylvia, left Wednesday for a three weeks' visit with relatives in Richmond and Norfolk, Va., and Pittsburgh, Pa.

Phone Company Is Spending Millions

Over \$55,000,000 of new plant has been constructed in Florida by the Southern Bell Telephone Company since V-J Day, A. B. Dooley, Florida Manager of the Company, revealed today.

"This tremendous investment has been made in the public interest in our effort to expand and improve the service in the state," Mr. Dooley said, "and it is part of a vast program that we plan to sustain, provided the new capital can be obtained, for the next several years in order to meet the full telephone service needs in the areas we serve in Florida."

The expenditure of over \$55,000,000 has made it possible for Florida to have over 366,000 Southern Bell telephones in service today. In fact, Florida has gained almost as many telephones in the three years since V-J Day as it did in its entire history prior to 1940. During the full period prior to 1940 Florida gained 153,300 Bell telephones as compared to 132,500 in service as of V-J Day.

Along with the increase in the number of telephones in service has come a corresponding increase in the number of local and long distance calls. For example: During February, 1945, the number of local calls each day averaged 1,453,000 as compared to 2,309,000 during February, 1948. And the number of long distance calls originating in Florida during the month of February, 1948, were 2,142,000 or more than 55 per cent greater than February, 1945.

In order to provide the expanded service for Florida since V-J Day and to handle the heavy increase in both local and long distance traffic, major additions have been made to most of the buildings and to all other facilities required in furnishing telephone service. Fifteen new buildings have been constructed and 19 others substantially enlarged in the state since V-J Day, adding 328,600 square feet of urgently needed floor space.

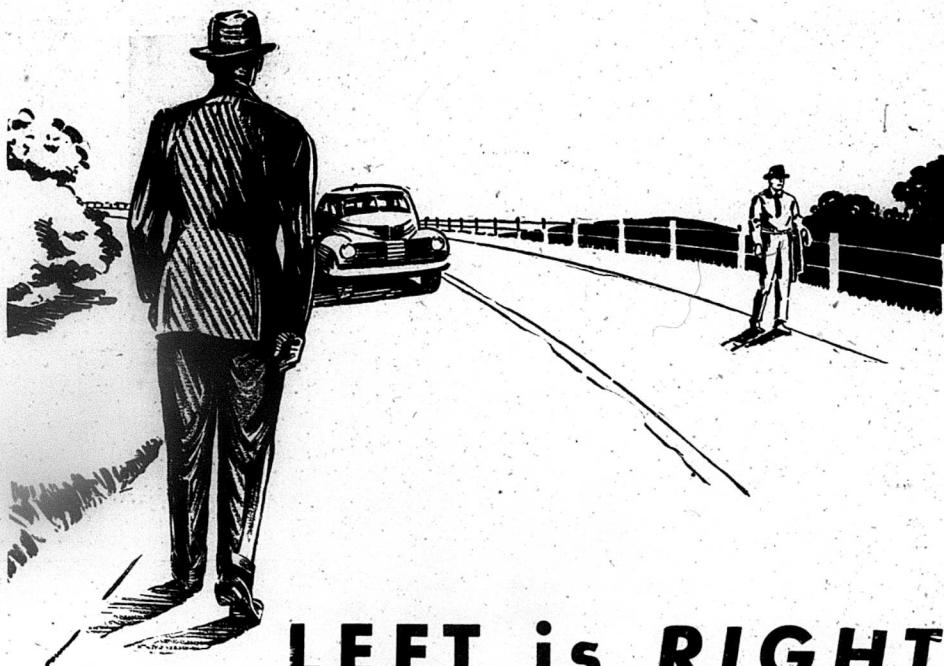
Simultaneous with the enlargement of the buildings, additional central office equipment has been installed which, together with the outside cable installations, has permitted the gain of 132,500 telephones since V-J Day. Many Floridians have seen the major extensions being made to the underground conduit systems which carry the large underground cables. Literally hundreds of box car loads of conduit and associated material items have been installed in Florida this year, being part of the largest underground conduit program in the history of the state. And, the addition, hundreds of reels of cable, ranging in size from 16 to 2121 pairs, have been pulled in and spliced. In fact, over 2 billion 600 million conductor feet of cable, enough to stretch around the world almost 20 times, has been installed during the past 21 months in order to help meet the continuing demands for telephone service.

"This program is taxing the full resources of all the telephone people to the limit," Mr. Dooley said, "but an all out effort is being continued to furnish every one service which desires it an adequate grade of service all our subscribers desire."

Some 4,000 roller skating rinks now are in operation in the U. S. A., according to SKF Industries which annually makes millions of tiny steel balls for skates and other rolling elements.

Southern states showed the greatest percentage increases in truck registrations last year, over 1941, the highest prewar year, according to figures released by the B. F. Goodrich Company.

Of the 13,939 placements through the Florida State Employment Service in October, 1,182 were of handicapped workers. Carl B. Smith, Chairman of the Florida Industrial Commission, announced recently.



LEFT is RIGHT ON THE HIGHWAY

That's right! When you must walk on the highways in rural or suburban areas, always walk on the left side of the road —facing traffic.

There is plenty of reason for this. Last year for every person killed facing traffic three were killed walking with traffic. 24 Floridians lost their lives and 33 were injured walking the wrong way instead of facing oncoming cars. For every daytime fatality there were 4 deaths during the dusk and dark hours. Six more people lost their lives merely standing in the road.

Never assume you are safe when walking on the highways —many times you are hard to see. Then, too, the despicable hit and run driver is still at large—his numbers and his victims increasing. In the first six months of 1946, 78 hit-and-run accidents were recorded in Florida and 16 were killed by these car cowards.

So remember for your own sake — on highways, walk to the left facing traffic—be alert to danger—be alive tomorrow.

Mr. Motorist—



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Howes Names His Subject For Sunday

The first Methodist Church of Pahokee announces the pastor, Rev. C. T. Howes will use as sermon subjects next Sunday the following: Sunday 11:00 a.m. "Life's Lessons Learned." Special music will be given by the Senior Choir under the direction of Mr. Glenn Abing. This Service will be broadcast over Radio Station WSWN. The evening sermon theme will be "God's First Question" Special music by the Youth Choir under the direction of Mr. R. O. Lampi.

The District Conference will meet in Pompano Nov. 23. Delegates from the Pahokee Church include O. B. McClure, Chairman of the Board of Stewards, T. L. Burns, Superintendent of the Sunday School, Mrs. John A. Dulany, President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, J. D. Rogers, District Steward, J. V. Thomas and Dr. L. W. Armstrong. Mrs. J. V. Thomas and Mrs. C. T. Howes were elected as alternates.

Christmas Party Planned By Circle

Plans for a Christmas party to be held on Dec. 17 were made by Members of the Mary Martha Circle, First Methodist WSCS, at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Hundley Monday night, with Mrs. Geo B. Ramey assisting Mrs. Hundley as co-hostess.

Mrs. Kenneth Mock, who is moving soon with her husband to Houston, Texas, resigned from her position as circle co-chairman and program chairman. Mrs. Mock gave an introductory talk on "Newness of Life," the text for the circle's fall mission study course, and Mrs. Louis Davis presented a study of the first two chapters of the text. Mrs. John A. Dulany, WSCS president and a member of the Gertrude Shirley Circle, and Mrs. T. L. Burns and Mrs. R. J. Schroeder, members of the Simon-Lair Circle, were visitors.

Union Thanksgiving Scheduled Thursday

The Union Thanksgiving Service for the churches of Pahokee will this year be held at the Church of God on Barfield highway. Reverend Robert Rutherford pastor of the Church of the Nazarene will bring the message. Reverend C. T. Howes, pastor of the First Methodist Church will lead the service with the other pastors participating in the service. Special music will be arranged through some of the choirs of the city. The public is urged to attend this service which will be held on Tuesday, November 23, at 7:30 p.m.

Stars Celebrate Chapter Founding

Members of Pahokee Chapter 184, Order of Eastern Star, celebrated the nineteenth anniversary of the founding of the chapter with a special observance program in the Masonic Hall Thursday night of last week.

A review of the history of Chapter 184 was given by Mrs. Virginia Adams. Following the meeting refreshments, including portions of a birthday cake were served by a committee composed of Mrs. Iva Snyder, Mrs. Eleanor Holden and Mrs. Dorothy Graham.

Gibson - Woodyard

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Nall of Bryant announce the engagement and approaching marriage of Mrs. Nall's daughter, Miss Betty Woodyard, to James M. Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gibson of Thomasville, Ga.

The bride-elect graduated from Pahokee High School in 1946, following which she attended Stetson University, DeLand.

Mr. Gibson is a graduate of the Thomasville, Ga., high school. He served in the armed forces during the war. Following his discharge from the service he attended Norman Junior College, Norman Park, Ga., later graduating from the Progressive School of Photography, New Haven, Conn. He is now employed by R. L. (Sam) Chastain in Canal Point.

The wedding will be solemnized on Dec. 28 at the Canal Point Baptist Church with Rev. Elmo B. Scoggan, pastor of the church, officiating.

Shirley Watson Is New Head of IGA

Shirley Watson was installed president of the Intermediate Girls Auxiliary at a meeting at the Pahokee First Baptist Church Wednesday afternoon.

Other new GA officers inducted were Mary Hall, vice president and membership chairman; Wynell Gillis, secretary-treasurer; Jrene Combs, program chairman; Elizabeth Clarity, assistant program chairman; Ethel Miller, community missions chairman; Rheta Abowd, stewardship chairman; Betty Culberson, poster chairman; Mrs. C. R. Wetherington, Jr., and Mrs. James Batchelor are serving as leaders of the group.

Mrs. Calvin Spooner and son, Calvin Leon, are expected to return home this weekend from a month's visit with her parents in Seattle, Wash.

Bell Must Not Raise Phone Rates

TALLAHASSEE — The Florida Railroad and Public Utilities Commission has ordered Southern Bell Telephone Company to retain its present rates until two public hearings have been completed.

The company had filed notice that it had planned to increase its rates an average of 11 per cent, effective November 24. Under Florida law a utility may increase its rates, after 30 days notice, unless it is definitely halted by the Commission.

The hearing on the proposed increases have been set for Miami on December 1, and in Jacksonville on December 6.

Covered Dish Lunch For Woman's Club

All members of the Pahokee Woman's Club are requested to bring a guest to the covered-dish luncheon meeting to be held in the clubhouse Wednesday, Nov. 24, at 12 noon. Guest speaker will be Mrs. Jones of West Palm Beach who will give a talk on the technique of sewing and demonstrate the use of the various attachments on the modern electric sewing machine.

Mrs. John T. Pickett expects to have as guests the coming week Mrs. Pickett's mother, Mrs. Ira Bell of Eau Gallie, her sister, Mrs. D. M. Hutchins of Jacksonville, her niece, Mrs. Dial of Cocoa, and her brother, B. W. Bell of Belle Glade.

YWA Hears Misses McKinstry, Russom

A program on "It Happened in China" was presented by Miss Johanna McKinstry and Miss Ina Russom at a meeting of the Young Woman's Auxiliary, First Baptist WMU, at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Robert Hitchcock, Jr., Monday night. Talks on the subject were also given by Miss Barbara Wilkinson and Miss Nina Russom.

Miss Sibyl Jensen, president, presided at the business session. It was announced that the next YWA meeting will be held at the home of Miss Barbara Wilkinson on Dec. 6.

Miss Laurie Rogers was the guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Hawthorne, in Fort Lauderdale over the weekend.

Mrs. H. J. Anderson was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Eliasen in West Palm Beach the past week.

Four Graduate From Flying School

Bill Golden, the head of the Glades Aviation Company with offices in Pahokee and Belle Glade, said yesterday that four men who have been taking GI training with his company have received their licenses.

Ed Jensen received his commercial pilot's license while the following received their private flying licenses: Audie Hooks, Herbert Throneberry and Herman Kautz.

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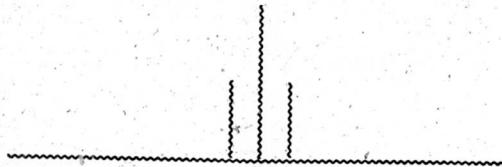
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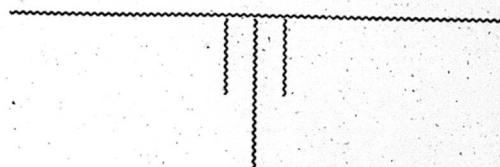
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CHRISTMAS PARTY

Plans for a Christmas party to be held at the home of Mrs. Jenny Holden were made by members of the Mattie Chastain Class of the First Baptist church school at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Harold Goffe. Mrs. Kathryn Barnes, president, presided at the business session. Mrs. Moody of Avon Park, houseguest of Mrs. Goffe, was a visitor.

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Births

Dr. and Mrs. Wilburn C. Young of Port Mayaca announce the birth of a daughter at the Everglades Memorial Hospital on Nov. 16.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Graydon of Pahokee announce the birth of a daughter, Ellen Lucinda, at the Everglades Memorial Hospital on Nov. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Goodson of Canal Point announce the birth of a daughter, Betty Lucille, at the Everglades Memorial Hospital on Nov. 16.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Herring of Pahokee announce the birth of a son, Henry Ray, at the Everglades Memorial Hospital on Nov. 9.

Bake Sale Is Plan To Aid Milk Fund

A benefit bake sale, with all proceeds to go into the local milk fund for underprivileged children, will be sponsored by the Everglades Business and Professional Woman's Club in front of Jones Hardware in Pahokee this coming Saturday afternoon starting at 3:30 o'clock. Plans for the sale were made at a B&P meeting at the home of the president, Mrs. Sarah Thomas. Tuesday night, Mrs. Marvel Griffith was appointed in charge of arrangements for the sale.

Miss Hilda Steffin was named corresponding secretary and Mrs. Alma Farrow, recording secretary, to fill vacancies left by the resignations of Mrs. Rethelle Dobrow and Mrs. Lois Mock. It was announced that the next program meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. Lorane Vant on Dec. 7.

Orchids Grown By Vero Beach Man

VERO BEACH — Florida-bred orchids from the collection of Arthur G. McKee of Vero Beach, Florida, were a principal attraction at an exhibit just concluded in St. Louis, Missouri, by the American Orchid Society at their quarterly meeting.

The orchids were exhibited by Dr. David C. Fairburn, Orchidologist of McKee Jungle Gardens in Vero Beach, where 100,000 orchids are now being grown and studied. Dr. Fairburn, noted for his work of the past two years in the growing of hybrid orchid seedlings and adapting hybrid orchids to growing out of doors in the McKee gardens, was also a principal speaker on the Orchid Society's Fall program. The Doctor was formerly a staff orchidologist for the Missouri Botanical Garden in St. Louis.

Girl Scouts Hold Organization Meet

The first meeting of the Girl Scout Troop No. 1 was held last Friday in the American Legion building in Canal Point.

Two patrols were organized. Melba Pugh heads the Turquoise patrol whose color is turquoise and whose flower is the violet. Other girls in the patrol are Mary Watson, Donna Lee Upthegrove, Clarence Weeks and Billie Nell Stokes.

Aleph Hall heads the Hiawatha patrol whose color is yellow and whose flower is the sunflower. Others belonging are Jo Ann Edenfield, Wanda Scott and Irma Lairsey.

Jo Ann Edenfield was elected troupe treasurer and Billie Nell Stokes was named scribe. The next meeting will be held Nov. 19. Leaders are Mrs. Elmo Scoggins and Mrs. John Harrington, Jr.

Billie Nell Stokes
Scribe.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mock are planning to move in the near future from Pahokee to make their home in Houston, Texas.

Fishin' Worms Are Big Business In This Florida Town

BLOUNTSTOWN, — Florida is not all sunny beaches, sparkling ocean and wealthy merchants with hand outstretched for the tourist dollar.

In North Florida, far from the lucrative tourist marts to the south, hundreds of families depend upon the earthworm for a livelihood.

These Crackers call their enterprise "grunting" and some worm brokers are coining up to \$6,000 annually.

Contrary to popular belief, good fishing worms can't be found in an old backyard.

Anglers have given up the early-morning search for worms. They stop at a gas station on the way to the fishing place and stock up with bait already packaged in cardboard containers.

Bloountown is the center of the worm industry. Most of the "grunting" is done by children, who get 15 to 25 cents per hundred worms for their labor.

The method is simple. The crews rub old automobile spring leaves over hardwood pegs driven into the ground. The vibration brings the crawlers scurrying out of the holes.

Andrew Coxwell, veteran grubber, sells on an average of 20,000 worms a week, collecting anywhere from 50 to 60 cents per hundred wholesale and 75 cents to \$1 retail.

He has "worm rights" on 900 acres of land, for which he pays the owner 10 cents for every 100 worms dug up. The owner's not complaining. He paid \$3,500 for the acreage and in the first year his take was \$1,500 just from worm operations.

A. B. Gilbert, Chipley, got into the grubbing business in January. Since then, he has realized over \$3,600. With the earthworm venture so successful, he branched out into other bait phases—crickets, "puppydogs" (orange-colored lizards) and catwaba worms.

In the first three weeks of cricket raising, he grossed over \$250 on a \$50 investment.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

"SOUL AND BODY" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, November 21.

The Golden Text is: "Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul" (Psalms 86:4).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: . . . But if be led of the Spirit" (Galatians 5: 16, 17 to 18).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "The enslavement of man is not legitimate. It will cease when man enters into his heritage of freedom, his God-given dominion over the material senses. Mortals will some day assert their freedom in the name of Almighty God. Then they will control their own bodies through the understanding of divine Science" (228: 11-16).

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Phillips and children, accompanied by Mrs. G. M. Phillips and Bobby Phillips, were guests of his parents in Wauchula over the weekend. Bobby remained for an extended visit.

Miss Welta Nell Hull, student at Florida Southern College, Lakeland, and her roommate at college spent the weekend in Pahokee visiting Miss Hull's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hull.

You Can't Escape U. S. Tax Collector

WASHINGTON — Trying to evade Federal income tax will be riskier than ever when returns on 1948 income are filed after New Year's.

The Internal Revenue Bureau is going to use a poll-type procedure—despite that election upset—as a means of catching up with persons who try to cheat on taxes.

An officials said Sunday it will work this way:

Tax agents will pick at random a limited number of returns from each grouping of returns according to the taxpayers' occupation, locality and income bracket.

The agents will examine each return chosen and, even if it looks to be perfectly all right, call upon the taxpayers and have him substantiate its accuracy.

If the process shows a tendency by particular groups—according to occupation, location or income bracket—to file "bad" returns, the bureau will concentrate on checking other returns from the suspect group.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Wilson visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sanders, in Pahokee while enroute to Tampa last weekend.

Mrs. A. J. Lively and daughter are visiting her mother and other relatives in Bedford, Ind.

B. P. Hawkins of Caracas, Venezuela, is the guest here of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Guthrie had as guests the past week Mr. and Mrs. Olen Cox of Savannah, Ga.

First units of the University of Chicago's new 450,000,000-electron-volt cyclotron (atom smasher) a special truck with seven axles, 26 wheels and reinforced tires to haul it through the streets. Each section weighed 87 tons.

Safety can be planned into the kitchen along with comfort, and the two qualities as a matter of fact usually go together, says a Tile Council of America report on kitchen planning.

John D. Rogers returned Sunday from a visit with relatives in Bonifay and Lockhart, Ala.

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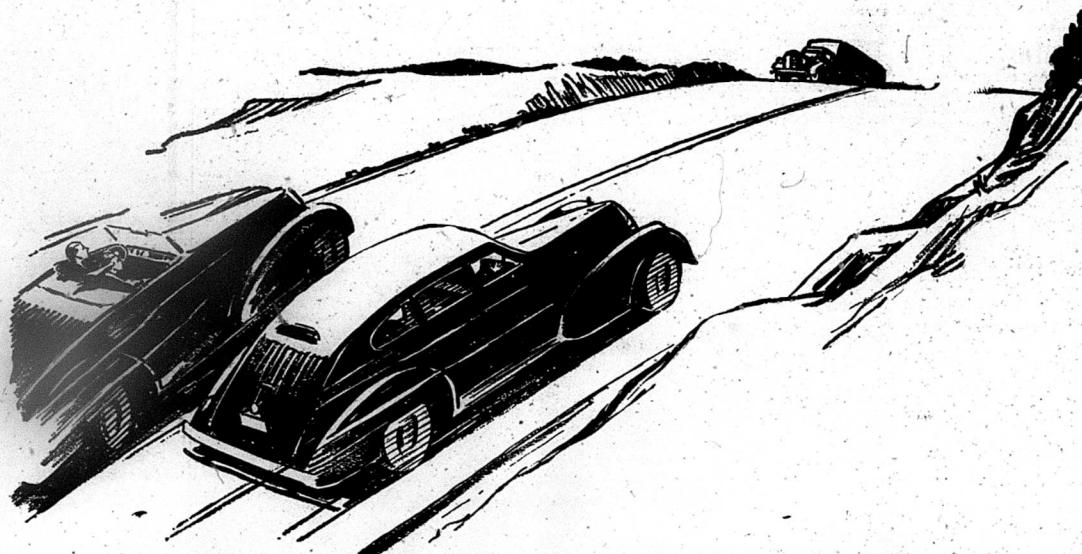
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Mr. Pedestrian—



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State Road Board

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none was selected because of the vote given me in his county; none was selected as a result of political pressure. In fact I resisted a lot of political pressure. In two instances, members were selected who had not applied. Each man selected has achieved outstanding success in his own business. Each has a good record of civic service.

It is my understanding Mr. McKethan is to be selected chairman.

Under their administration of the State Road Department the people of Florida will, I believe, get good roads at the least cost.

Alfred A. McKethan, 42, president of the Hernando State Bank, Brooksville, is a life long citizen of Hernando County. He is immediately past president of the Florida Banker's Assn., and currently serves as vice-president of the American Bankers Assn. He is also a member of the county Bank Operations Commission of the same organization. McKethan is a citrus grower and is president and director of the Brooksville Citrus Grower's Assn.

He attended Virginia Military Institute and was graduated from the University of Florida with a degree in business administration. He has been a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee since 1935.

He is past president of the Hernando County Chamber of Commerce.

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Hernando County Chamber of the Brooksville Kiwanis Club and a trustee of Hernando County Hospital and Hernando County Park. He is chairman of the Hernando County War Finance Committee; chairman of the Board of Deacons, First Presbyterian Church of Brooksville. He is a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity.

McKethan married the former Ruth Crane and they have two children, Mary Celia, 13 and Martha Ann, 8.

J. Glover Taylor, 55 prominent Jacksonville real estate and insurance executive, was born in Gainesville. He attended the University of Florida and was later graduated from the Packard Commercial School in New York City with a degree in business administration.

Taylor organized a fire insurance business in Gainesville in 1914 but sold it to enlist in the army in World War I where he served as an artillery officer in France.

He moved to Jacksonville in 1924 and became associated with T. B. Hamby in the real estate business. In 1932 he organized his present firm known as J. Glover Taylor, Inc.

He married the former Margaret Spratt and the Taylors have 3 children, Mrs. Thomas G. Watson, Jacksonville. Glover Jr., associated with his father in business; and James S., student at Washington & Lee University.

Taylor is a member of the Episcopal Church and a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

Marion G. Nelson, 34, owner-operator of a large West Florida automobile agency and president of the Commercial Bank of Panama City, is a native of Bay County, born at Southport.

He is a director of the Gulf Power Co. and the Atlanta and St. Andrews Bay Railway Co. He was once employed by the International Paper Co. and by the First National Bank in Marianna but since 1937 has been the operating head of his own successful company. He is past president of the Panama City Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the airport authority and of the Elks.

Nelson married the former Barbara Wing of Jacksonville and is the father of 2 children, Gretchen, 13 years and Marion, Jr., 13 months.

Merrill P. Barber, 38, mayor of Vero Beach and president of the Indian River Citrus Bank, is a native of Missouri, but has lived in Florida since he was 3 years old. He is also president of Barber and Trent, Inc., a vegetable container company and is a successful tomato grower. He was formerly a partner and manager of Dr. M. J. Barber & Son, Vero Beach retail growers' supply business.

He is a graduate of the University of Florida and a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

He married the former Meredith Clarkson of Pensacola. The Barbers have 3 daughters, Helen 17; Carolyn, 15, and Merrill Jean, 3½.

He is a vestryman in Trinity Episcopal Church; a 32nd degree Mason, Scottish Rite; past member of the State Democratic Executive Committee; past vice-president of the Young Democratic Clubs of Florida; past and long time civic leader in his community.

Tristen P. Drake, Jr., 44, Ocala cattleman and business man, is a native of Lake County where his grandparents settled in 1870. He attended public schools of Lake County and moved with his parents to Ocala in 1917. He studied at Augusta Military Academy and the Virginia & Chestnut Hill School in Philadelphia and was graduated from the University of Florida in 1928 with a degree in agriculture. He is a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity.

He married the former Anne MacKay of Ocala and they have two sons, Tristen Polk, III, 16, and George MacKay, 14.

Drake was active in the Florida State Guard during the war and is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, a Mason, Shriner, Elk and Kiwanian.

Investigation Will Show If Streams Of State Are Polluted

GAINESVILLE — A survey to determine whether Florida's streams are polluted by the pulp and paper industry will be started within 30 days, Vernon D. Knight, chairman of the committee for the pulp and paper industry, has announced.

Representatives of the industry, the State Board of Health and the Florida Game and Fresh Water Commission met at the public health conference sponsored by the college of engineering at the University of Florida and made preliminary plans for a detailed investigation of each area in which pulp mills are located.

The phosphate industry is attempting to determine the effect of phosphate waste materials through a fellowship at the engineering and experiment station at the University of Florida, said R.

B. Fuller, manager of the Florida phosphate division of the International Minerals and Chemical Corporation.

Colonel A. G. Matthews, chief engineer of the state division of water survey and research, pledged the support of this unit to the committee.

Members appointed, in addition to Professor J. E. Kiker, of the University of Florida, who was named chairman of a new coordinating committee on pollution problems, are as follows: David B. Lee, chief sanitary engineer of the State Board of Health; Ralph G. Cooksey, wildlife; R. B. Fuller, phosphate industry; W. T. Edwards, St. Joe Paper Co., pulp and paper industry; Wylie W. Gillespie, Florida Society of Engineers; W. W. Giddings, citrus industry; James Massey, public; L. McIlwaine, municipalities; Joe Davin, real estate; Robert Hoy, Florida Sewage Works Association and J. F. Dequine, fish and wildlife.

Sugar Mill Draws Its Share Tourists

CLEWISTON—Damage to cane in the Everglades was not as extensive as was first thought and indications now are that a normal crop will be harvested. Grinding has been under way for several weeks and the big mill of the United States Sugar Corporation is in full operation. The harvest will continue through the winter and early spring. Although strictly a commercial enterprise, the big sugar mill has taken its place alongside of Silver Springs, Cypress Gardens and other tourist attractions as visitors get a real thrill out of watching processing operations. Guides take visitors through the mill at regular intervals.

Frank Rozelle, Jr., has returned to his studies at Southern College, Lakeland, after a visit with his parents in Pahokee.

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